



Wylie City Council

Minutes

Wylie City Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 20, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Wylie Municipal Complex – Council Chambers

300 Country Club Road, Bldg. 100

Wylie, TX 75098

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

Mayor Eric Hogue called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. City Secretary Carole Ehrlich took roll call with the following City Council members present: Mayor Eric Hogue, Mayor pro tem Keith Stephens, Councilman Bennie Jones, Councilman David Dahl, Councilman Todd Wintters, Councilman Nathan Scott, Councilwoman Diane Culver (seated after the oath of office), and Councilman William Whitney III.

Staff present were: Assistant City Manager, Jeff Butters; Development Services Director, Renae' Ollie; Finance Director, Linda Bantz; Fire Chief, Brent Parker; City Engineer, Chris Holsted; Assistant Police Chief, Anthony Henderson; City Secretary, Carole Ehrlich, and various support staff.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fire Chief Brent Parker gave the invocation. Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Engineer Chris Holsted.

CANVASS OF ELECTION

- Consider, and act upon, Ordinance No. 2015-19 of the City Council of the City of Wylie, Texas, Canvassing the returns of the May 9, 2015 General Election; Declaring the Election Results for City Council Place 2 and Place 4; Ordering a Runoff Election to be held on June 13, 2015 for the Purpose of Electing a Councilmember to Place 4; Designating Early Voting Polling Places and Hours; Designating Election Day Polling Places and Hours; Ordering Notices of Election to be given as Prescribed By Law; Appointing The Rockwall County Elections Administrator to Administer The Runoff Election; Appointing Election Judges; Authorizing All Necessary Actions Relating Thereto; And Providing A Savings/Repealing Clause, Severability Clause and an Effective Date.

Staff Comments

City Secretary Ehrlich addressed Council stating that the unofficial results of the City of Wylie May 9, 2015 General Election, have been presented for review to the Wylie City Council and certified by the Rockwall County Elections Administrator, Chris Lynch. Council is requested to review the results and take formal action to approve the totals within the proposed Ordinance.

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5 of the City of Wylie Home Rule Charter; "A majority vote for an elective office is that number of votes which is greater than one-half of the total number of valid ballots cast for the office concerned. If no candidate for any elective position receives a majority vote, a runoff election shall be called;" and whereby, no candidate for City Council, Place 4 received a majority of the votes cast; a run-off election is to be held on Saturday, June 13, 2015, for the purpose of electing a City Council Member for Place 4, for a three year term on the Wylie City Council. The proposed ordinance includes the order to call the election.

Council Action

A motion was made by Councilman Dahl, seconded by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-19 of the City Council of the City Of Wylie, Texas, Canvassing The Returns of the May 9, 2015 General Election; Declaring The Election Results for City Council Place 2 and Place 4; Ordering a Runoff Election to be held on June 13, 2015 for the Purpose of Electing a Councilmember to Place 4; Designating Early Voting Polling Places and Hours; Designating Election Day Polling Places and Hours; Ordering Notices of Election to be given as Prescribed By Law; Appointing The Rockwall County Elections Administrator To Administer The Runoff Election; Appointing Election Judges; and Authorizing All Necessary Actions. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE TO ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE CULVER

Mayor Hogue presented the Certificate of Elected Council Member to newly elected Councilwoman, Place 2, Diane Culver.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE BY JUDGE TERRY DOUGLAS

Judge Terry Douglas administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Councilwoman, Place 2, Diane Culver. Councilwoman Culver's family was in attendance for the Oath.

Mayor Hogue asked Councilwoman Culver to take her seat which was vacated by Councilman Nathan Scott. Mayor Hogue explained this was the traditional procedure for changing of Council members. Mayor Hogue thanked Councilman Scott for his service. Scott did not seek re-election.

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEM

- Consider, and act upon, the appointment of Mayor Pro Tem for a one year term beginning May 2015 and ending May 2016.

Mayor Hogue requested that the appointment of a new Mayor pro tem be tabled until after the Special Runoff Election.

Council Action

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Stephens, seconded by Councilman Dahl to table the appointment of a Mayor pro tem until the first regular meeting after the Runoff Election; and to retain the current Mayor pro tem until that time. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address Council regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must provide their name and address. Council requests that comments be limited to three (3) minutes. In addition, Council is not allowed to converse, deliberate or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

There were no citizens present wishing to address Council during Citizens Comments.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Consider, and act upon, an Election Contract by and between the City of Wylie and the Rockwall County Elections Administrator for administration of the June 13, 2015 Wylie Special Runoff Election.** *(C. Ehrlich, City Secretary)*

Staff Comments

City Secretary Ehrlich addressed Council stating that by the terms of this agreement, the City of Wylie agrees, pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Election Code, to hold its Special Runoff Election on Saturday, June 13, 2015. Per Council direction, the City will contract with the Rockwall County Elections Administrator to perform various duties and responsibilities on behalf of the City. The contract presented has specified duties for each party and estimated costs to administer the election which is based on the 2014 and 2015 election costs. This agreement, once executed, will formalize the Special Runoff Election for June 13, 2015 between the City of Wylie and Rockwall County Elections Administrator and approve the estimated costs for the Special Election. Ehrlich noted the approximate cost would be \$7,200.

Council Action

A motion was made by Councilman Winters, seconded by Councilwoman Culver to approve a contract by and between the City of Wylie and the Rockwall County Elections Administrator for administration of the June 13, 2015 Wylie Special Runoff Election. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

2. **Consider, and act upon, the appointment of a 2015 Board and Commissions City Council Interview Panel to conduct the May 2015 board applicant interviews.** *(C. Ehrlich, City Secretary)*

Staff Comments

City Secretary Ehrlich addressed Council stating that each year the City Secretary's Office solicits and compiles applications from Wylie residents wishing to serve on various Wylie Boards and Commissions. These applications are received through the year until the later part of May of each calendar year. Additionally, in May of each year, the applications are compiled into appointment timeframes to allow the

three Council member panel time to interview each applicant and subsequently choose a list of applicants to recommend to the full Council to serve two year terms on the various Boards. The terms are staggered so each year approximately half of the members serving on each board and commission are appointed.

Ehrlich noted the dates of the panel interviews would be May 27, 2015 and May 28, 2015 in order to provide the recommendations to the full Council at the June 9th Council meeting.

Council Discussion

Councilwoman Culver, Councilman Dahl, and Mayor pro tem Stephens volunteered to serve on the Boards and Commissions Interview Panel.

Council Action

A motion was made by Councilman Wintters, seconded by Councilman Dahl to appoint Mayor pro tem Stephens, Councilwoman Culver and Councilman Dahl to the 2015/16 Boards and Commissions Interview Panel. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

3. **Consider, and act upon, the appointment of a committee member to the City of Wylie City Council Subcommittee to represent the City of Wylie in meetings with the Wylie Independent School District City/Schools Partnerships Committee.** *(C. Ehrlich, City Secretary)*

Staff Comments

City Secretary Ehrlich addressed Council stating that in 2005, the Wylie Independent School Board formed an advisory standing committee called City/School Partnerships. The committee consists of three WISD Board of Trustee members and three City of Wylie Council members. The purpose of the committee is focused on discussing existing and new partnerships between the Wylie Independent School District and the City of Wylie.

Ehrlich reported Councilman Scott was part of the City Partnerships Committee and with his term in office expiring, a new Council member needed to be appointed to replace Scott.

Councilman Whitney volunteered to serve on the City/School Partnerships Committee.

Council Action

A motion was made by Councilman Dahl, seconded by Councilwoman Culver to appoint Councilman William Whitney III to serve on the City of Wylie City Council Subcommittee. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

READING OF ORDINANCES

Title and caption approved by Council as required by Wylie City Charter, Article III, Section 13-D.

City Secretary Ehrlich read the caption to Ordinance No. 2015-19 into the official record.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Stephens, seconded by Councilman Jones to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.


Eric Hogue, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carole Ehrlich, City Secretary

